GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY
LOK SABHA

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EXPORT OF WHEAT FLOUR TO MALDIVES
Murmu Shri Rupchand

Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government has allowed exports of wheat flour to Maldives during 2008-09 despite the ban on wheat export; and

(b) if so, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY(SHRI JAIRAM RAMESH)

a) Yes, Sir during 2008-09, the Government has allowed export of wheat flour to Maldives.

b): Under Article VIII of India-Maldives, Bilateral Trade Agreement signed in 1981,India is committed to supply essential commodities to Maldives every year even if they fall under prohibited or restricted category.